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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director of Central Intelligence

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SUBJECT : Application for Appointment to the Regular Air Force by [REDACTED]

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REFERENCES : A. Letters (Classified and Unclassified) from DDCI to COS, USAF, unsigned, attached.
B. Indorsement from [REDACTED] attached.

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1. [REDACTED] the Deputy Director of Operations of Project CHALICE under [REDACTED] is making initial application for a Regular Air Force commission. I have had a great deal of direct contact with [REDACTED] over the past two years, and fully subscribe to the indorsement which [REDACTED] made to his application, a copy of which I have attached for your review.

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2. I feel especially fortunate to have had [REDACTED] assigned for this most important function. In June of 1957 I requested he be extended an additional year beyond his normal three year tour. I would further like to point out that, largely through his own initiative, he checked out in the U-2 and, with [REDACTED] leaving, is the only officer in Headquarters with this experience.

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3. Since I believe that [REDACTED] would be a distinct asset to any organization, I am confident that the Air Force would be quite fortunate to add him to their Regular Officers Corps.

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4. In view of the fact that [REDACTED] assignment with the Agency removes him from the normal military chain of command, his performance of duty consequently does not come to the attention of high ranking officers who may wish to compliment such performance. Accordingly, although I realize your knowledge of his performance is indirect, you may wish to forward a letter in his behalf to General White. I have attached a proposed letter for your signature.

SIGNED:

RICHARD M. BISSELL, JR.
Special Assistant to the Director
for Planning and Development

Attachments: a/s

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